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In the application of:

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Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned

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For: INFRARED COMMUNICATION  
MODULE WITH FUNCTION OF  
TRANSMITTING REMOTE CONTROL  
SIGNAL, AND PORTABLE DEVICE  
AND MOBILE TELEPHONE  
PROVIDED THEREWITH

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1 is not submitted. The Examiner is requested to make this document of record. A copy of document numbered 2, a Japanese patent, is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2). The Examiner is requested to make this document of record.

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### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Ref. No.	Date	Document No.	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If Appropriate
	1.	08/21/2003	2003/0156842	Morimoto et al.			

### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	2.	05/16/2000	JP 2000-138640	Japan			Abstract

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